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SUBJ: 19TH FAO CONFERENCE --ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. THE CONFERENCE ELECTED MEMBERS TO THE EXPANDED COUNCIL FROM THE INDICATED REGIONS AND FOR THE FOLLOWING TERMS OF OFFICE (TOTES IN PARENTHESES):
NOV. 1977 - DEC 31, 1978
ASIA AND FAR EAST - SRI LANKA (75)
AFRICA - GHANA (118)
NOV. 1977 - NOV. 1979
AFRICA - UGANDA (101)
NEAR EAST - LEBANON (114)
NO. 1977 - DEC. 31, 1980
LATIN AMERICA - MEXICO (108), BRAZIL (104), COLOMBIA (103), JAMAICA (99), CUBA (76)
NORTH AMERICA - CANADA (114), U.S. (114)
EUROPE - BELGIUM (103), HUNGARY (94), MALTA (67)
NEAR EAST - AFGHANISTAN (116), 84-1 (116)
AFRICA - ALGERIA (113), CHAD (113), LIBERIA (113), TANZANIA (113), ZAIRE (113)
JAN. 1, 1979 - NOV. 1981
NEAR EAST - SAUDI ARABIA (111), KUWAIT (103), 3&605 (98)
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SOUTHWEST PACIFIC - AUSTRALIA (121)
ASIA AND THE FAR EAST -I INDIA (111), PAKISTAN 111)
AFRICA - BOTSWANA (117), GHANA (117), MADAGASCAR (117), SENEGAL (117)
EUROPE - FRANCE (119), ITALY (119), SWEDEN (119), U.K. (119)
LATIN AMERICA - EL SALVADOR (118)

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2. KOREA WAS AN UNSECCESSFUL CANDIDATE AGAINST SRI LANKA IN THE NOW. 1977 - DEC. 31, 1978 PERIOD AND RECEIVED 40 VOTES. KOREA ALSO CONTESTED AGAINST SRI LANKA (AND INDIA AND PAKISTAN) FOR THE JAN. 1, 1979 - NOV. 1981 PERIOD. ON THE FIRST BALLOT NEITHER SRI LANKA (76) NOR KOREA (59) RECEIVED SUFFICIENT VOTES FOR ELECTION. IN THE RUN-OFF BALLOT, SRI LANKA RECEIVED 67 VOTES AGANST KORE'S 56.

3. IN THE INITIAL BALLOTING FOR THE NOV. 1977 - DEC. 31, 1980 SEATS, CUBA (86) AND IL SALVADOR (70) RECEIVED INSUFFICIENT VOTES FOR ELECTION. IN THE RUN OFF, CUBA WAS ELECTED (76) OVER EL SALVADOR (46). THE LATTER DID OBTAIN A SEAT FOR JAN. 1, 1979 - NOV. 1981, AS NOTED ABOVE.

4. SECOND BALLOTING FOR EUROPEAN SEATS FOR NOV. 1977 - DEC. 31, 1980 ALSO WERE REQUIRED WHEN PORTUGAL (80) AND MALTA (77) HAD FEWER VOTES THAN REQUIRED. MALTA WAS ELECTED (67) OVER PORTUGAL (38) IN THE SECOND BALLOT. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THE VOTES FOR MALTA WERE LARGELY FOR ITS AGEIN PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE, WHO HAS SPENT MANY YEARS IN ROME.

5. IN THE BALLOTING FOR THE NORTH AMERICAN REGION, THERE WERE 6 INVALID BALLOTS AND 4 ABSTENTIONS.GARDNER

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